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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the initial examination of the aboveidentified application, which is a Division under 37 CFR
1.53(b) of Application Serial No. 08/747,910 filed
November 12, 1996, which is a division of Application
Serial No. 07/600,818 filed October 22, 1990, now U.S.
Patent No. 5,640,458 issued June 17, 1997, Applicants
respectfully request that the application be amended as
follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-3, without prejudice or disclaimer and add new claims 4-8.

